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TAGS: PLOS

SUBJ: UPCOMING LOS CONFERENCE

REF: STATE 54588

1. PURSUANT TO REFERENCE INSTRUCTION, POLCOUNS CALLED ON JEAN MONNIER, DEPUTY DIRECTOR IN LEGAL DIVISION, FPD, WHO LARGELY DECIDES THE LOS POLICY FOR GOS. DRAWING ON POINTS OUTLINED IN PARA 4 OF REFTEL, POLCOUNS STRESSED STRONG US DESIRE TO HAVE NEW YORK CONFERENCE BE FORUM FOR GENUINE NEGOTIATIONS RATHER THAN TACTICAL SPARRING SESSION. MONNIER STATED HE FULLY SHARES US WISHES IN THIS RESPECT, AND HE THOROUGHLY UNDERSTANDS DANGERS OF A FAILURE TO ESTABLISH EARLY ON A WORKABLE REGIME FOR THE SEA. MONNIER EXPRESSED SOME CONCERN ABOUT RUMORS HE HAS HEARD THAT THERE MIGHT BE YET ANOTHER LOS SESSION LATER THIS YEAR, NOTING THAT THIS KIND OF TALK WOULD SEVERELY INHIBIT INTEREST IN REACHING FINAL AGREEMENT DURING THE NEXT TWO MONTHS.

2. MONNIER EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT THERE WAS CONSIDERABLE AGREEMENT ON COMMITTEE II ISSUES, BUT THAT THERE WAS VERY LARGE GAP BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES ON COMMITTEE I PROBLEMS. EMBOFF DREW ON PARA 6 OF REFTEL TO POINT OUT THAT AN ENCOURAGING ATMOSPHERE HAS BEEN CREATED, WHICH HOPEFULLY CAN BE TRANSLATED INTO EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE COMPROMISES IN COMMITTEE I.

3. MONNIER WILL AGAIN HEAD SWISS LOS DELEGATION. HE IS LEAVING MARCH 10 FOR NEW YORK FOR MEETING OF LANDLOCKED  
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STATES. HE PLANS TO GET IN TOUCH WITH US DELEGATION AFTER

START OF CONFERENCE.

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